

# FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

## DAILY STOCK MARKET REVIEW

### CURRENT NEWS AND GOSSIP

#### AFFECTING SECURITIES

Activity and Strength Displayed Throughout List, With Advances Well Distributed—Gould Roads and Soft Coalers Features of Trading.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Although American stocks showed a slight decline in London market, and while some anxiety was reported here with regard to the situation in the Balkans, the New York stock market opened active and exceedingly strong this morning.

Interest was well distributed throughout every quarter of the market, and there were few exceptions to the general tendency. St. Paul was one of these, but on the other hand there were very sharp advances in Wabash common and preferred and in the bonds.

### CLOSING ARGUMENT FOR UNION MINERS

Attorney McCarthy Likens Mitchell to Moses.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 9.—Before the largest audience that has attended, thus far, any of the coal strike commission's sessions, Attorney Daniel J. McCarthy, of Hazleton, today began the closing argument on behalf of the union miners.

Mr. McCarthy is a miner, lawyer, and labor leader combined. His technical knowledge of the varied features in a miner's occupation enabled him to speak with clearness and authority upon the grievances among the men that led to the last strike. Although he talked for hours, he was listened to with close attention.

Mr. McCarthy's eloquence was directed principally against the independent operators. He likened John Mitchell to a Moses leading labor out of the wilderness, and John Markle he compared with Shylock.

### CALL ON NATIONAL BANKS.

The Comptroller of the Currency this morning issued a call for a statement of the condition of national banks throughout the country at the close of business on Friday, February 6.

### POISONED BY HANDLING CARPETS

Dr. Godfrey Taunton, a prominent specialist in the General Hospital at Birmingham, England, recently called attention to the danger of persons being poisoned by the dyes in their clothing, but grave danger may be experienced sometimes from the most innocent dye occupation. John Husekemyer, of 208 Lewellyn Street, this city, was taken to the City Hospital in a sorry plight from arsenical poisoning, which he had contracted from the handling of carpets. Husekemyer, who is sixty-two years of age, has been employed as a carpet layer for many years, and the doctors maintain that the dyes, which, as a general rule, are fixed with arsenic, have been slowly absorbed into the system, greatly endangering his life. The case was first brought to the attention of one of the prominent specialists of the city on nervous diseases, who, upon finding that Husekemyer was slow to improve under treatment, ordered him taken to the hospital and placed on his special service. The case is of unusual interest, as it is the first time that anyone similarly afflicted under the circumstances has come under the notice of a Cincinnati physician if not physicians anywhere.—Cincinnati Commercial Gazette.

### ONE DRINK'S SUPPRESSION.

The days of elated lineade in Richmond are numbered. What little was left after the United States Government imposed a tax of \$25 up soda contains where it was sold, will disappear like a flash with the action of the city of Richmond, which, through the Commissioner of Revenue, has just made it known that the Federal tax will be followed up by a municipal tax considerably larger.

It appears that the confectioner who sells elated soda will be pined on a footing with the retail whiskey dealer, and will be compelled to pay a regular license tax. The United States and the city of Richmond have taken a hand, and the State of Virginia will probably follow in due time. When the Federal tax was imposed about six dealers in Richmond paid up and continued to sell. But the latest advances concerning the matter finish up these six up. It appears that they will have to pay something like \$125 per year, and the most sanguine do not hope to make a profit under such circumstances.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

### CIRCULAR HOUSES.

A New Idea in British Architecture.

"Round houses" are the latest fad in architecture.

For cheapness, warmth, and general utility, a residence of the "round house" variety is greatly to be preferred to the ordinary regular structure.

Such a house has been built for Barber Starkey at Knock Shanock, in Scotland, to be used as a shooting lodge. In appearance it is a small, round, white-washed building, with a conical roof, embellished with bay windows and covered porches, and is a most comfortable dwelling.

Mr. Starkey's house is two-storied, and the center hall has a gallery around it, giving access to the bedrooms. The roof is conical, and is surmounted by a lantern which gives light to the hall. Kitchens, stables, etc., are built on the same plan.—Illustrated Scientific News.

### LUCK—MADNESS—SUICIDE

Shortly before leaving Buenos Ayres for Italy a gentleman named Raphael Baroni bought a ticket in the Spanish Christmas lottery, arriving in Italy he learned that he had won a prize of \$4,000. His luck deprived him of his senses.

He entered the Church of St. Ignazio at Genoa, which was crowded with people, and mounted an altar for the purpose of giving alms out of his wealth. Then he wandered into the country, telling every one he met of his good fortune.

His mania next took the form of a dread of being murdered for the sake of his money. While in this state of mind he bought a revolver and shot himself dead.—London Mail.

### WASHINGTON STOCK MARKET.

Sales—Washington Street Railway 4's, \$1,000,000; National Safe Deposit Company, 100,000; West End Deposit Company, 50,000; Washington Gas, 25,000; 8 1/4; Mergenthaler, 100,000; 20, 18 1/2; 100, 22; 100, 22 1/2; 100, 22 1/2; 22, 18 1/2; 100, 22 1/2; 100, 22 1/2; Mergenthaler, 20, 18 1/2; 100, 18 1/2; 20, 18 1/2.

GOVERNMENT BONDS.

U. S. 2 1/2, R. 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2
U. S. 2 1/2, C. 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2
U. S. 3 1/2, R. 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2
U. S. 3 1/2, C. 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2
U. S. 4 1/2, R. 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2
U. S. 4 1/2, C. 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2
U. S. 5 1/2, R. 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2
U. S. 5 1/2, C. 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2
U. S. 6 1/2, R. 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2
U. S. 6 1/2, C. 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2

RAILROAD BONDS.

Capital Traction, R. & O. 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2
Met. R. R. 5's, 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2
Met. R. R. 6's, 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2
Columbia R. R. 5's, 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2
Columbia R. R. 6's, 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2
City & Suburban, 5's, 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2
Anacostia & Potomac, 5's, 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2
Wash. Street Railway 4's, 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2

MISCELLANEOUS BONDS.

Wash. Gas Co., 5's, 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2
Wash. Gas Co., 6's, 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2
U. S. Elec. Light, Deb. Imp. 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2
U. S. Elec. Light, Cert. Indent.	108 1/2	109 1/2
Wash. Market Co., 1st 6's, 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2
1911, Q. J.	108 1/2	109 1/2
Masonic Hall Ass'n 5's, C. 1902	108 1/2	109 1/2
American Graphophone Deb. 5's	108 1/2	109 1/2

SAFE DEPOSIT AND TRUST STOCKS.

National Safe Deposit and Trust	14 1/2	14 1/2
Washington Loan and Trust	2 1/2	2 1/2
American Security and Trust	4 1/2	4 1/2
Washington Safe Deposit	4 1/2	4 1/2
Union Trust and Storage	10 1/2	10 1/2

RAILROAD STOCKS.

Capital Traction	129	130
Wash. Street	40 1/2	41
Wash. Street Ry. com.	11 1/2	12 1/2

NATIONAL BANK STOCKS.

Bank of Washington	40	40
Metropolitan	30	30
Central	30	30
Carnegie and Mechanics	40	40
Citizens	140	140
Columbia	140	140
Commercial	140	140
West End	140	140
Traders	140	140
Richmond	140	140

INSURANCE STOCKS.

Firemen	50	50
Metropolitan	70	70
Corcoran	70	70
National	70	70
Arlington	70	70
German American	70	70
National Union	70	70
Columbia	70	70
Commercial	70	70
Central	70	70

TITLE INSURANCE STOCKS.

Real Estate Title	90	90
Columbia Title	40	40
Washington Title	40	40
Metropolitan Title	40	40
Chesapeake and Potomac	40	40
American Graphophone	40	40

GAS STOCKS.

Washington Gas	8 1/2	8 1/2
Georgetown Gas	9	9
TYPE MACHINES.		
Mergenthaler Linotype	14 1/2	14 1/2
Lanston Monotype	10 1/2	10 1/2
Greene Copper	3 1/2	3 1/2
Washington Market	10 1/2	10 1/2
Norfolk & Washington	210	210
J. Henry Howe Co.	110	110

### THE COURT RECORD.

Equity Court No. 1—Justice Hagner—Collins vs. Collins; testimony taken. J. E. Forbury, examiner, ordered taken.

Bankruptcy Court—Justice Hagner—In re Albert Goodman; discharge of bankrupt ordered.

Equity Court No. 2—Justice Gould—Farden vs. Farden; divorce a vinculo granted. Harvey L. Farden, complainant, time to file exceptions to answers extended. Goldsmith vs. Goldsmith; restraining order returnable February 12.

Circuit Court No. 2—Justice Clabaugh—Ohio National Bank vs. Roome et al.; motion to set aside order passed February 6 dismissing motion to produce papers granted. Herwood vs. O'Donnell et al.; judgment against defendant for \$156. Davis vs. Smith; motion for new trial filed. United States vs. Humphrey; leave to withdraw certain papers.

Criminal Court No. 1—Justice Anderson—United States vs. Wallace Ruffin; housebreaking; sentenced New Jersey State Prison for two years. United States vs. Frank H. Smith; blackmail; nolle prosequi.

Criminal Court No. 2—Justice Bernard—In re estate of John W. Nairn; on trial.

Probate Court—Justice Bernard—Estate of Mary Walsh; will partly proved. Estate of Florence H. McCarthy; inventory filed. Estate of Samuel P. Merrill; commission returned executed. Estate of Edward J. Burnside; will admitted to probate and letters testamentary granted to Sarah Burnside; bond \$500. Estate of Aaron Baldwin; order of publication. Estate of Jeremiah J. Quinn; will proved. Estate of James T. Pritchard; do. In re Martha Leland et al.; do. Estate of George M. Jones; will filed. Estate of Elizabeth L. Eaton; commission returned executed. Estate of Robert Andrews; will partly proved. Estate of Eliza R. Goddard; will fully proved. Estate of Emily F. Hart; will admitted to probate and letters testamentary granted to Susanah A. Cranford; bond \$500. Estate of Solomon Fishman; order for publication.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

606 F Street northwest (Baltic Building)—Annon Behrend et ux. to Theodore F. Swaze, part original lot 13, square 456, \$10.

Rhode Island Avenue northwest, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth Streets—Theodore F. Swaze et ux. to Annon Behrend, lot 85, square 210, \$10.

Sixth Street northwest, between F and G Streets—Michael J. Colbert et al., trustees, to Harry L. Turner, part original lot 22, square 455, \$10.

2104 and 2106 Pennsylvania Avenue northwest—Bettie G. Francis et al. to John R. to Joseph P. Smith, lots 27 and 28, square 75, \$10.

T Street northwest, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth Streets—Emma M. Bauer, trustee, to Robert E. Sullivan, lot 23, square 190, \$4,500.

Third Street southwest, between I and K Streets—G. Percy McGue et ux. to Annie M. Wise, lot 56, square 542, \$10.

S Street northwest, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth Streets—Alice L. Riggs to Eulalie D. Rheem, lot 69, square 178, \$3,900.

Sixth Street southeast, between East Capitol and A Streets—Fritz W. Isenman to Arthur Brummitt, part original lot 12, square 889, \$10.

Maryland Avenue southwest, between Ninth and Tenth Streets—Westminster College to G. Percy McGue, lot 13, square 285, \$10.

C Street southwest, between Ninth and Tenth Streets—Same to same, lot 23, square 384, \$10.

Delaware Avenue and D Street southwest—Same to same, lots 29 to 45, 67 to 71, square 638, \$10.

Seventh Street northeast, between G and H Streets—Henry A. Tolson to Alice E. McGee, lot 45, square 350, \$10.

Brightwood Park—Batter B. Groff to Maude E. Smith, lots 8 and 9, block 11, \$10.

### REAL ESTATE.

PRICE, \$4,250.

Select neighborhood, northwest, nearly new, open on 3 sides.

### A FAMOUS COAT.

A coat with a somewhat curious origin has been recently called to public attention in England by an exhibition at Newbury. The coat was the result of a wager of £1,000, laid by Sir John Throckmorton in 1811, that at 8 o'clock on the evening of June 25 that year he would sit down to dinner in a coat, the wool of which had formed the fleeces of two living sheep at 5 o'clock on the same morning. On the day mentioned two sheep were taken to the wool turned into a coat in exactly eleven hours. It was put on by Sir John in the presence of 5,000 people, who had assembled to see the result of the wager. This curious garment seems to have been well made, despite its exceedingly rapid production, and is still in the possession of the Throckmorton family, the present head of which is Sir Nicholas Throckmorton, Bart., of Buckland House, Farnham.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

### AN ENGLISH JOKE.

A story going about with regard to a certain financier whom we will call Low, because, though it is not actually his name, it fits as well into the remark. The great dream of his life has been to obtain a foreign barony from some potentate in return for "financial services." He is also, perhaps, a little addicted to stimulants. There is now a prospect that his dreams will be fulfilled and that he will become a baron of a small German state. He is very anxious about his title, and has consulted all his friends. One of them, slightly bored, suggested "Baron Low de Vie" d'eau de vie—Anglice, brandy.—London Tatler.

### THE ORIGINAL TRUST-BUSTER.

At the present time, when rumors are rife concerning the existence of "rings" for maintaining high prices for the food of the people, it is interesting to see how such persons are dealt with in the "good old times." In 1548 was passed "the bill of conspiracies of victuallers and craftsmen," and it enacted "that as of late divers sellers of victuals, not content with moderate and reasonable gain, have conspired to sell them at unreasonable prices . . . if, after the first of March next, any butchers, brewers, bakers, poulterers, or fruiterers, conspire, promise or make oaths, they shall for the first offense forfeit £10, or twenty days imprisonment on bread and water; for the second offense £20, or the pillory; and for the third offense £40 and the pillory, with the loss of one of his ears." If any such conspiracy was entered into by the Company of Victuallers, its corporation was to be dissolved.—London Daily Chronicle.

### CAPT. BAIRD REPORTS THEFTS.

Capt. S. W. Baird, superintendent of the State, War, and Navy Building, has reported to the police the theft of a brass valve and three stuffing boxes. An investigation is being made.

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Forty-third Annual Statement, for the Year Ending December 31, 1902.

ASSETS.		INCOME.	
Bonds and Mortgages . . . . .	\$70,006,274.15	Premium Receipts . . . . .	\$53,932,423.44
Real Estate in New York, including the Equitable Building . .	21,754,047.44	Interest, Rents, etc. . . . .	15,074,588.81
United States, State, City and Railroad Bonds and other investments (market value over cost, \$18,073,362.00) . . . . .	186,363,110.00	Income . . . . .	\$69,007,012.25
Loans secured by Bonds and Stocks (market value, \$21,522,814.00) .	17,621,000.00	DISBURSEMENTS.	
Policy Loans . . . . .	14,108,674.51	Death Claims . . . . .	\$15,281,961.73
Real Estate outside of New York, including 12 office buildings . .	15,439,521.31	Endowments and deferred dividend policies . . . . .	6,537,545.99
Cash in Banks and Trust Companies at interest . . . . .	25,852,441.30	Annuities . . . . .	768,095.09
Balance due from agents . . . . .	978,252.97	Surrender Values . . . . .	2,125,723.83
Interest and Rents. (Due \$225,358.07, Accrued \$125,194.97) . . . . .	367,501.04	Dividends to Policyholders . .	4,477,924.15
Premiums due and in process of collection . . . . .	4,527,992.00	Paid Policyholders . . . . .	\$29,191,250.79
Deferred Premiums . . . . .	2,376,723.00	Commissions, advertising, postage and exchange . . . . .	6,814,540.09
<b>Total Assets . . . . .</b>	<b>\$359,395,537.72</b>	All other disbursements . . .	5,898,104.57
		Sinking Fund. Reduction of book values of Bonds purchased at a premium . . . . .	344,206.00
		<b>Disbursements . . . . .</b>	<b>\$42,248,101.45</b>

We hereby certify to the correctness of the above statement.  
FRANCIS W. JACKSON, Auditor. H. R. COURSEN, Assistant Auditor. A. W. MAINE, Associate Auditor.

LIABILITIES.		ASSURANCE.	
Assurance Fund (or Reserve) \$279,450,753.00		INSTALMENT POLICIES STATED AT THEIR COMMUTED VALUES.	
All other Liabilities . . . . .	4,817,287.95	Outstanding Assurance . . . . .	\$1,292,446,595.00
<b>Total Liabilities . . . . .</b>	<b>\$284,268,040.95</b>	New Assurance . . . . .	\$281,249,944.00
Surplus . . . . .	\$75,127,496.77		

We hereby certify to the correctness of the above statement. The Reserve as per the independent valuation of the N. Y. Insurance Department, is \$277,847,000. For Superintendent's certificate see Detailed Statement.  
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We have examined the accounts and Assets of the Society, and certify to the correctness of the foregoing statement.  
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